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THE HYPNOTIZED GIANT

It may be that the most ominous aspect of the Quemoy-Matsu crisis is the ression given by the American public of an apathy verging on hypnosis. Such rts at polling as have been made indicate that there has rarely been so little port for an aspect of foreign policy as for this one, but few show signs of concern. The mail that comes to Congress and the White House runs more n 5 to 1 against U. S. defense of the Chinese islets, but the mail itself is light. Messrs. Dulles and Eisen- er might be pardoned for believing the public generally accepts their dership without serious qualm.

Partly this stems from the absence ny articulate opposition on the pol- al level. Helen Mears in the Oc- r *Progressive* observes that there literally no debate in Congress on essentials of foreign policy: that empty cliché that "politics ends at water's edge" has deprived the erican people of the opportunity to e decisions in the light of a full ng of the issues. It is, as she says, issue in search of a party."

But it is worth asking, too, how h this "apathy" reflects a kind of terical numbness that is the result the years of recurring crises that e followed World War II. We had stopped breathing hard over Le- on when we found ourselves teeter- over another brink on the coast of na. If, as seems likely now, we are to withdraw intact from this one, we can be sure that another will elop soon after, in Vietnam, or ea, or in eastern Europe, or some- re else.

This is the nature of the world we in, when we have no policy save of "containment" and "deter- e." The Communists will neither deterred nor contained. They re- ent movement and change in a ld demanding much movement great change. We do not meet e demands by arguing that we do not like the Communist *methods* of making change.

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"Losing the Battle"

If western civilization, both the Communist and anti-Communist branches, cannot solve this problem, then it probably deserves to perish. It must be realized that this now is not only a problem of security, but a problem of morality, personal and international.

We utterly deny the right of the West to continue imperiling us and our future. We utterly deny you the right to cause cancer in our children. It is past time for the West, Communist and anti-Communist alike, to draw back from the edge of complete moral bankruptcy. It is explicitly your task to utilise the skill and technique of your science for peaceful purposes.

One tenth of the treasure and skill used in making your hydrogen weapons could transform my country. We are still in a pre-industrial stage of development. We know that the engines which drive an atomic submarine can drive electric generators. We know which we prefer.

There can be no question now of the West giving moral leadership to Asia. Your moral leadership has, for us, meant first colonialism and now the philosophical, moral, political and social bankruptcy of a nuclear arms race.

You in the West are causing more gaps between humanity; you are losing the battle for the hearts and minds of men.

-President A. Sukarno of Indonesia

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Hypnotized Giant *(cont'd)*

Americans should have the chance to hear of alternative policies. The debate over "foreign aid" should not be confined to those who want it as it is--primarily military--and those who want none of it. The public should know of the kind of positive, creative attack on world poverty, hunger and disease that could have been made with the astronomical sums we have spent on arms, and of what kind of response this recognition of the real needs of others might have won.

The "apathy" continues. Does it mask a growing hysteria, born of anxiety and a feeling of desperate helplessness? And if so, how long will it be until it reaches the point of willingness to accept even the unthinkable escape of preventive war?

It is a time for speaking out, from pulpit and platform and streetcorner, not just for another policy toward other nations, but for a different viewpoint toward our fellow men. There is enough strength in the hypnotized giant of America to revolutionize the world if its direction were determined by such a viewpoint.

"The armament race between the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R., originally supposed to be a preventive measure, assumes a hysterical character....Every step appears as the unavoidable consequence of the preceding one. In the end, there beckons more and more clearly general annihilation."

--Albert Einstein, 1950.

Staff Members Join Training Faculty

Six FOR staff members will pa
ticipate in the leadership of the "Vo
unteers for Peace" training sessi
to be held at national headquarters
Nyack Dec. 26-30. The staff membe
include secretary-emeritus *A. J. Must*
co-secretaries *John Swomley* and *A*
fred Hassler, national field secreta
Glenn Smiley, conference director *Ea*
Warner, and Middle Atlantic secreta
Charles Walker. Other leaders will
clude *Richard Gregg*, author of T
Power of Nonviolence; *Albert Bigelo*
skipper of the Golden Rule; and *Charl*
R. Lawrence, sociologist and FOR n
tional chairman.

The four-day sessions will prese
an unprecedented opportunity for pa
ticipants to get an overall view of t
pacifist role in the world situatio
Lectures and discussions will revi
the religious basis and relevance
pacifism; implications of the spa
age; problems of disarmament, c
terrence and limited war; the psych
logical and sociological developmer
that reinforce pacifism; the theory a
practice of nonviolence; and vario
forms of organizational development.

Some of the same material will
repeated in the "Internes in Nonv
lence" sessions January 29 throu
February 2, but the major empha
here will be on the application of no
violent spirit and methods to the ra
struggle in the United States. Lectur
and discussions will deal with the c
tural influences of prejudice, the b
lical "arguments" for and against se
regation, forms of direct action app
cable, and related subjects. Afternoo
and evenings will be devoted largely
role-playing and the development
creative techniques to meet speci
situations.

The December sessions are limit
to 30 persons; the January to 20, w
fees of $30 and $35 respectively,
cluding room and meals. Inquir
should go to Prof. Earle Warner, B
271, Nyack, N. Y. A descriptive f
der will go to all FOR members
November.

NEWS from the peace front

"While you join in restraining men
o feel compelled to light the fires
nell, you may also make their friend-
p because this action may speak to
t of God which is within them just
it is within you," is the key sen-
ce of a recent appeal for funds from
e Fallout Suits. The suits, so far
ually filed in the United States and
Soviet Union, seek a permanent ban
nuclear testing. Headquarters is at
North Hudson Avenue, Pasadena,
lifornia.

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Earl Reynolds, anthropologist-
ifist who sailed his boat Phoenix
o the forbidden nuclear testing area
the Pacific after the Golden Rule
halted in Hawaii, has been sen-
ced to six months imprisonment and
months on probation.

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More than twice as many new mem-
s (283) joined the Fellowship of
conciliation during the first four
nths of this fiscal year (May--
otember) as during the same period
ear ago.

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Charles Walker, Middle Atlantic re-
nal secretary, is serving as assist-
national coordinator of the Youth
rch for Integrated Schools, which
ns a "walk" down Pennsylvania
enue in Washington on October 25.
e FOR is a co-sponsor of the walk,
ich will be made up mainly of school
ldren and young people, white and
gro.

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The annual conference of the Brit-
Labor Party, at Scarborough this
nth, voted overwhelmingly against
posals to adopt a policy of uni-
eral disarmament if and when it
nieves power. The vote was more
n five to one.

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A taped talk by IFOR secretary
degarde Goss-Mayr has been added
he FOR's library of available audio-
ual materials. Other tapes include
ks by Henry Hitt Crane, Nels Ferré, Alfred Hassler, Martin Luther King, Glenn Smiley, John Swomley, and André Trocmé. Rental and sale prices are available, with a complete list, on request to national headquarters.

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Martin Luther King Jr., leader of the Montgomery nonviolent bus protest, left the Harlem (N.Y.) Hospital October 3 to continue his recuperation at the home of a friend. He was stabbed on September 20 while autographing copies of his new book, "Stride Toward Freedom," in a Harlem department store. His assailant, a Negro woman, is under observation at Bellevue Hospital.

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Prof. Culbert Rutenber, a member of the FOR National Council and author of *The Dagger and the Cross,* has been elected chairman of a "peace committee" created by the American (Northern) Baptist Convention to meet with a similar committee from the Southern Baptist Convention.

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The so-called "right-to-work" laws now being debated in California and elsewhere have been characterized by Dr. Walter G. Muelder as "a virtual conspiracy of the crafty, the ignorant, or the misguided to subvert industrial peace, exploit men's need to work, and deluge the community with industrial irresponsibility." Dr. Muelder is dean of the Boston University School of Theology and an FOR member.

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Defense of Quemoy and the Matsu islands by the United States has been described as "unwise, unnecessary and a threat to world peace" by the Council for Christian Social Action of the United Church of Christ.

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Civil disobedience by Christians is "inevitable" where morally objectionable laws are concerned, according to a national "Conference on Christianity and the Law" held in Chicago last month. The conference, attended by some 200 lawyers, judges, students,

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theologians and clergymen, was sponsored by the National Council of Churches Faculty Christian Fellowship and the United Student Christian Council.

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Two FOR staff members will be "fraternal delegates" to the National Student Assembly of the YM and YWCA at Urbana, Illinois, during Christmas week. The staff members are New England secretary Rev. Robert Gussner and Southern secretary Rev. James M. Lawson Jr.

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The Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs last month hit out at the Federal Civil Defense Administration for its "continued efforts to launch a program of ideological opposition to Communism through the churches."

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FOR members Hazel and Elmer McClain report enthusiastic comment by numerous people who have seen their picture travelog, "16,000 Miles and Eight Weeks," a program of color slides and movies of their trip to the USSR. The McClains are touring the United States with the films giving first-hand reports of their impressions. Full details may be obtained from them at RFD 6, Lima, Ohio.

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The Lutheran Peace Fellowship has recently published its statement of principles in a pocket-size folder, "Not By Might." Pacifists of this denomination may obtain copies from A bert E. Myers, P.O. Box 147, Jerome ville, Ohio.

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The film "Alternatives," produc by FOR and other peace groups, h been delayed in production. It is e pected to be available by late Novemb

DATES TO REMEMBER

Oct. 17-18. New York FOR Conferenc Duane-Metropolitan Methodist Churc 7th Ave. and 13th St., N.Y.C. Fro 8 p.m. Friday to 4 p.m. Saturda Charles T. Leber, Herman Reissi Phillips P. Elliott, A. J. Muste, other

Oct. 24-25. FOR National Conferen for Midwest. LaGrange Methodi Church, Cossitt and Ashland, LaGrang Ill. Write Dorothy Calkins, 1217 Juds Ave., Evanston, Ill.

Oct. 24-26. Middle Atlantic FOR R gional Retreat, Camp Hilltop, Downin town, Pa., with Richard Gregg. Wr Charles C. Walker, Cheyney, Pa.

Oct. 26-31. IFOR Secretary Hildegar Goss-Mayr in Texas. Write Melvin Zuc AFSC, 2106 Nueces St., Austin Texas.

Oct. 30- Nov. 2. Conference on "D armament Work at the Commun Level," by Friends Coordinating Co mittee on Peace. Lake Mohonk, N. Write George C. Hardin, 1520 Race S Phila. 2, Pa.

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